

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

***In the Specification:***

Please **AMEND** the specification as shown in the following marked up paragraph, which shows changes made relative to the immediate prior version.

Please **AMEND** the paragraph beginning on page 3, line 9, as follows:

B<sup>2</sup> As shown, the punching and bending operation is repeated at regular ~~centres~~ intervals along the longitudinal length of the tube such that the overlapping seam is ~~stabilised~~ stabilized along its entire length. The tabs may be simultaneously punched.